

Docket No. 3787-0112P

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application.

The claims have been amended to remove improper multiple dependencies and to place the application into better form for examination.

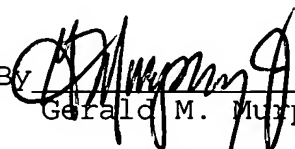
Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

11. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 [and]or claim 10, characterized in that the plastic composite is selected from a mixture of a polymer material and a filler material, such as quartz or metal-filled epoxy or silicon polymer.

14. (Amended) A method as claimed in claim 1 [or claim 11], characterized in that the plastic composite is selected form two-component types.

17. (Amended) A method as claimed in [claim 1, claim 10 or claim 16]claim 1 or claim 10, characterized in that said first wear layer and/or said second wear layer consist of titanium nitride of DLC (Diamond-Like-Carbon).

19. (Amended) A method as claimed in [claim 1, claim 10 or claim 18]claim 1 or claim 10, characterized in that the first wear layer and/or metal layer is selected having a thickness adapted to stipulated requirements.